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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the instant application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Amended) A method for providing configurable access to media in a media-on-demand system comprising the steps of:

delivering the media to a first client device through a first communications link, wherein said first client device is associated with a first user;

recording a bookmark specifying a position in the media; and

delivering the media to a second client device through a second communications link, said delivery to said second client device beginning at said position specified by said recorded bookmark, wherein said second client device also is associated with said first user.

- 2. (Original) The method according to claim 1, further comprising the steps of: identifying device properties for each of said first and second client devices; and, delivering the media to said first and second client devices through said respectively established first and second communications links, the media delivered in a format compatible with said identified device properties.
- 3. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein the media is stored in a media-on-demand server (MODS) and delivered to said first and said second client devices via said first and said second communications link respectively.
- 4. (Original) The method according claim 3, wherein said step of delivering the media to said first client device via said first communications link, comprises:

receiving the media from said MODS in an intermediate server;

in said intermediate server, converting the media to a format compatible with said identified device properties of said first client device; and

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delivering said converted media to said first client device via said first communications link.

5. (Original) The method according to claim 3, wherein said step of delivering the media to a second client device via said second communications link, comprises:

receiving the media in an intermediate server from said MODS;

in said intermediate server, converting the media to a format compatible with said identified device properties of said second client device; and

delivering said converted media to said second client device via said second communications link.

6. (Original) The method according claim 3, further comprising:

storing the media in selected ones of a plurality of media-on-demand servers, each MODS in said plurality of media-on-demand servers storing the media in at least one format compatible with a selected device type;

selecting a MODS for delivering the media to said first client device, said selected MODS having stored thereon the media in a format compatible with said first client device; and

delivering from said selected MODS the media in a format compatible with said first client device.

7. (Original) The method according to claim 6, wherein said selecting step further comprises:

determining if a MODS is available for delivering the media to said first client device in a format compatible with said first client device;

if it is determined that a MODS is not available for delivering the media to said first client device in a format compatible with said first client device, selecting a MODS for delivering the media to said first client device, said selected MODS containing the media in a standard format, and converting the media in said standard format to a format compatible with said first client device.

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8. (Original) The method according claim 3, further comprising:

storing the media in selected ones of a plurality of media-on-demand servers, each MODS in said plurality of media-on-demand servers storing the media in at least one format compatible with a selected device type;

selecting a MODS for delivering the media to said second client device, said selected MODS having stored thereon the media in a format compatible with said second client device; and

delivering from said selected MODS the media in a format compatible with said second client device.

9. (Original) The method according to claim 8, wherein said selecting step further comprises:

determining if a MODS is available for delivering the media to said second client device in a format compatible with said second client device;

if it is determined that a MODS is not available for delivering the media to said second client device in a format compatible with said second client device, selecting a MODS for delivering the media to said second client device, said selected MODS containing the media in a standard format, and converting the media in said standard format to a format compatible with said second client device.

10-16 (Withdrawn)

17. (Previously Amended) A method for providing configurable access to media in a media-on-demand system comprising:

delivering the media to a first client device in a format compatible with said first client device, wherein said first client device is associated with a first user:

interrupting said delivery of said media;

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recording a bookmark specifying a position in the media when said interruption occurred; and

resuming delivery of the media to a second client device, said resumed delivery beginning at a position in the media specified by said recorded bookmark, wherein said second client device also is associated with said first user.

18. (Original) The method according to claim 17, further comprising the steps of: identifying a device type for each of said first and second client devices;

delivering the media to said first client device in a format compatible with said identified device type for said first client device; and,

delivering the media to said second client device in a format compatible with said identified device type for said second client device.

19-20. (Withdrawn)

21-27. (Canceled)

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